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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated November 15, 2004 (Paper No. 110804), for which a response was due on February 15, 2005. Filed herewith are a Petition and fee for a 3 month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to May 15, 2005, which fell on a Sunday. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.